

God's Power Targets Men in Iowa at Promise Keepers Event

With two successful conferences already behind it this year, Promise Keepers (PK) is setting its sights on searing the hearts of men in the Cedar Falls, Iowa, area this weekend. The two-day event will be held at the McLeod Center, with doors opening at 5 p.m.

The lineup of speakers includes coach Bill McCartney, the founders of Promise Keepers, as well as PK President and CEO Raleigh B. Washington, who will enlighten men on how to defend their homefront from the enemy. Coach McCartney will speak on "The Warrior's Weapon: Hearing and Obeying God's Word."

Also included on the weekend agenda are Mike Silva ("The Epic Battle of the Heart: Salvation"), Mark Gungor ("Winning the Battle Within: Purity"), Larry Jackson ("Waking the Warrior Within: Masculinity") and Larry Acosta ("A Band of Brothers: Unity"). International recording artist Lincoln Brewster will lead worship, and Brad Stine will bring his brand of Christian comedy to the program.

With the growing culture of immorality and indifference, America needs Promise Keepers more than ever. Washington says conferences held in Phoenix and Nashville in 2013 already have made a big impact.

"Attendance at our first two conferences have more than doubled that of last year, averaging more than 4,000 men," Washington says. "Altar calls have been super. More than 80 decisions for Christ were made at both events, as well as several hundred men responding to altar calls to turn away from Internet pornography, to protect their families and to refuse to compromise biblical principles."

"We are receiving numerous comments from attendees that PK is

better than ever. The speakers have been superb, and Jeremy Camp and Lincoln Brewster leading worship is just what young men are looking for.”

The next Promise Keepers conference is set for Battle Creek, Mich. (Aug. 23-24). Two more remain in Tulsa, Okla. (Sept. 20-21), and Daytona Beach, Fla. (Oct. 25-26).

“We are greatly burdened by the state of our nation, where Jesus Christ has been almost entirely omitted from public life, and the gay agenda is magnified,” Washington says. “We are troubled by the random mass violence committed almost exclusively by young men. We are challenged by the biblical illiteracy and lack of power we see in the church. Even worse, the body of Christ remains incredibly divided.

“On the other hand, we are excited. When we hear a national leader say the ills that run rampant in our world can be laid at the feet of men, we also know the solution to these problems are godly men who would get up and get back in the game of life as godly, bold, yet sensitive warriors.”

This year’s theme for Promise Keepers is “Awakening the Warrior,” while the vision is “Men Transforming the World.” Cost for the events is \$69 for individuals, \$59 for men in groups of 2-10, and \$49 for groups of 10 or more.